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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Thursday, August 8, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room B, Cannon Bldg, 861 Silver Lake Blvd Dover, DE 19904

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeffrey Seemans, Professional Member, Secretary Rachel Dunning, Public Member, Treasurer William Bullock, Public Member Jeff Clark, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General Lisa Smith, Administrative Specialist II Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Eric Wahl, President

ALSO PRESENT

Susan L. Arnold, Court Reporter – Wilcox & Fetzer

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Seemans called the meeting to order 9:00 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes for the May 9, 2013 meeting. Mr. Bullock made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dunning, to approve the minutes as presented with minor changes regarding Board Members in attendance and the next scheduled meeting date. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Review Proposed Language for Rule 7.0

The Board reviewed the proposed revisions to the rules and regulations pertaining to Continued Education. The Board discussed potential changes to have a Board member appointed to preapprove CE courses. A motion was made by Mr. Clark and seconded by Mr. Bullock to table this agenda item for additional discussion until after the Rules and Regulations Public Hearing.

RULES AND REGULATIONS PUBLIC HEARING

At 9:17a.m., Mr. Seemans called the public hearing to order. Verbatim testimony was taken by the court reporter. Ms. Singh stated the purpose of the hearing. The following items were marked as Board Exhibits for the record: Board Exhibit 1 – News Journal publication affidavit and Board Exhibit 2 – Delaware State News publication affidavit. The Board members introduced themselves for the record. Mr. Seemans opened the floor to the public for comments, for which there were none. The Board will deliberate on the proposed regulations and any public comments during their November 14, 2013 meeting. The Board went off the record at 9:19 a.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

After the Rules and Regulation Hearing Mr. Clark made a motion seconded by Mr. Bullock to reopen discussion stating recommendations for a change to clarify the language.

Mr. Seemans stated that the draft needs more work and more discussion and that there are many opportunities to obtain CE's which are not listed under Rule 7.0 (7.1.3) and fall under the umbrella of safety and welfare. Mr. Seemans stated that sometimes taking only the courses listed can be cumbersome and expensive.

Mr. Clark was more supportive of adding courses to Rule 7.1.3 rather than creating a new process. Ms. Singh stated that she will prepare a draft of potential criteria for courses not listed in Rule 7.1.3.

Mr. Clark volunteered to bring LA-CES criteria to the November Board meeting for the Board to review, which may assist them in encouraging course providers to obtain approval of continuing education through LA-CES.

Discussion Regarding Pre-Sunset Information Gathering

Ms. Singh advised the Board that they have not been selected for the Sunset Review.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Certificate of Authorization – Site Resources, Inc.

Mr. Clark made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dunning to ratify the application for the certificate of authorization for Site Resources, Inc. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Landscape Architect Application by Reciprocity

Mr. Clark made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Bullock to Propose to Deny the application submitted by David Schreder stating that he does not meet "Statutory Qualifications". The motion was unanimously carried.

Other Business before the Board (For Discussion Only)

The Bill passed the House but not the Senate. The Bill will be introduced again during the January session.

Correspondence

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There was no correspondence.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Meeting Date

The Board will hold the next meeting February 13, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., in Conference Room "B" of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware.

<u>Adjournment</u>

Ms. Dunning made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Bullock. The meeting was adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Smith

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Administrative Specialist II Board of Landscape Architects